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Infant Formula Overview

Definitions

Introduction

This policy defines the categories of infant formula.

Definition of infant formula

Infant formula means a food that meets the definition of an infant formula in section 201(z) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 USC 321(z)) and that meets the requirements for an infant formula under section 412 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 USC 350a) and the regulations at 21 CFR parts 106-107.

Issuance of formulas

Local agencies must issue as the first choice of issuance the primary contract brand infant formula to the majority of healthy full-term infants.

Categories

The categories of infant formulas and their definitions are listed below.

Category	Definition	Examples
Primary contract formula	The specific infant formula	Similac Advance Stage 1
	for which manufacturers	
	submit a bid to the State	Similac for Spit Up
	Agency in response to a	
	rebate solicitation and for	Similac Sensitive
	which a contract was awarded	
	by the State Agency as a	Similac Soy Isomil
	result of that bid	
		Similac Total Comfort
Exempt	An infant formula that is	Similac Expert Care Alimentum
	represented and labeled for	
	use by infants who have	Nutramigen
	inborn errors of metabolism	
	or low birth weight, or who	Pregestimil
	otherwise have unusual	
	medical or dietary problems	Neocate Infant
		Formulas for inborn errors of
		metabolism
		Premature formulas

Category	Definition	Examples
Non-Contract	All infant formulas, including exempt infant formula, that are not covered in the current	Enfamil A.R.
	infant formula cost containment contract	Enfamil Premium Infant
		Enfamil Gentlease
		Gerber Good Start Soy
		Enfamil ProSobee
		Private label infant formulas

Policy references

- WC-04-34-P: Implementation of the Infant Formula Cost Containment Provisions of Public Law 108-265
- WIC Policy Memorandum #2014-1 Changes to Abbott Infant Formula Product Line
- WIC Policy Memorandum #2014-1A Clarification on Medical Documentation for Infant Formula Issued in Food Packages I and II